

AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY
OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 26TH DAY OF APRIL, 2010 AT 6:30 P.M.
IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755
ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	Annette S. Perkins	-Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	William H. Brown	
	Gary D. Creed	
	Doug Marrs	
	John A. Muffo	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Steve Sandy	-Planning Director
	Dari Jenkins	-Zoning Administrator
	Ruth L. Richey	-Public Information Officer
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary, Board of Supervisors
ABSENT:	James D. Politis	-Vice Chair
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Assistant County Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

INTO CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Doug Marrs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following:

- Section 2.2-3711 (1) Discussion, Consideration or Interviews of Prospective
Candidates for Employment; Assignment, Appointment,
Promotion, Performance, Demotion, Salaries, Disciplining or
Resignation of Specific Officers, Appointees or Employees of Any
Public Body
1. Community Services Board
 2. Montgomery Regional Solid Waste Authority
 3. Planning Commission

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Gary D. Creed	None	James D. Politis
William H. Brown		
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
John A. Muffo		
Annette S. Perkins		

OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Doug Marrs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Closed Meeting to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
William H. Brown	None	James D. Politis
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
John A. Muffo		
Gary D. Creed		
Annette S. Perkins		

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion conveying the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

VOTE

AYES

Mary W. Biggs
Doug Marrs
John A. Muffo
Gary D. Creed
William H. Brown
Annette S. Perkins

NAYS

None

ABSENT DURING VOTE

James D. Politis

ABSENT DURING MEETING

James D. Politis

INVOCATION

A moment of silence was lead by the Chair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

INTO WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Work Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. Debt Capacity

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

AYE

Doug Marrs
John A. Muffo
Gary D. Creed
William H. Brown
Mary W. Biggs
Annette S. Perkins

NAY

None

ABSENT

James D. Politis

Montgomery County's Debt Capacity and Debt Affordability

Montgomery County's Financial Advisor Courtney Rogers, with Davenport & Company, Inc., provided an Analysis of Proposed Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) projects on debt capacity and debt affordability.

Davenport was asked to analyze the potential impacts of funding roughly \$15 million of QSCB projects on the County's existing debt/debt capacity and debt affordability. The QSCB projects include the new Prices Fork Elementary School, \$7, 650,000, and the School Energy Project at \$7,619,000.

Mr. Rogers explained a one-time Federal Program which expires end of calendar year 2010, was created by the "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act" (the Stimulus Act), can help the County borrow money for school projects only at a near 0% rate.

This program, known as Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB), offers two critical benefits to the County as follows:

1. Provides substantial cost savings for school projects, and
2. Enhances financial capacity for other projects.

The debt service structure is highly flexible and can be tailored to meet the County's cash flow circumstances, as well as to comply with the County's Debt Policy. Expected sale of the QSCB is expected in late May and closing in June 2010. This sale will differ than the Fall Sale due to changes in federal law. The Bonds will be sold with an interest subsidy by the Federal Government and the subsidy is expected to be at or near 100%.

Mr. Rogers provided an illustration of QSCB savings with interest rates ranging from 0% to 4.5% on an estimated \$15.3 million project borrowing. He also reported that the impact on the County's debt ratios will not exceed 3-4% of the County's assessed valuation of taxable property in the County which stays well within the County's guidelines. However, it will impact the annual debt service versus expenditures for tax-supported debt. This ratio should stay below 12% to comply with the County's Fiscal Policy. The highest point is estimated to be 11.9% in 2012 and if the QSCB's are not at 0% the County would be over the policy limit.

In summary, Mr. Rogers stated that the currently proposed QSCB Projects can be funded while maintaining compliance with the County's existing fiscal policy guidelines. By maintaining compliance there will be no concern with the County's bond rating. The County's current debt ratios are at solid levels and in line with peer Virginia counties. However, debt capacity will stay constrained until the budget growth resumes. With no budget growth the County's future debt capacity would shrink and would not be able to borrow more than \$10 million until FY 2013.

Supervisor Creed asked if vacant school facilities were sold and proceeds use toward future school capital projects, can the bond money be used toward a new project.

Mr. Rogers stated he did not know but could research the policy guidelines for this type of QSCB's. He did note that the bonds issued in 2008 for the purpose of constructing a new school could be used toward a new project.

Supervisor Biggs expressed concerns with the issuing of bonds for the energy projects before receiving a final report on the safety of the Blacksburg High School and it turns out that the school is declared unsafe and a new school is needed.

Mr. Rogers indicated they could look at the savings from other bond projects and request a reallocation of money toward a new school.

Supervisor Perkins asked what would happen to the County's bond rating if the County violated the fiscal policy by issuing bonds over the debt capacity.

Mr. Rogers stated the worst scenario is the County's bond rating being downgraded, which would mean higher interest rates on future bond issuances.

Supervisor Muffo commented that the bond rating looks at the amount of total budget and this year a decrease in the County's budget occurred due to receiving less in state funding. He hopes the bond rating agencies look at the decrease in the County's budget favorably due to the recession.

Mr. Rogers noted that the Board scheduled a public hearing on the bond issuance for Monday, May 10, 2010.

OUT OF WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Work Session to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
John A. Muffo	None	James D. Politis
Gary D. Creed		
William H. Brown		
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
Annette S. Perkins		

DELEGATIONS

Montgomery County Courthouse – Construction Update- RESCHEDULED

An update on the Montgomery County Courthouse Construction Project was rescheduled to be presented at the May 10, 2010 meeting.

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) – Update

Dan Brugh, MPO's Executive Director, made a presentation on the MPO's activities as follows:

MPO Planning Projects Completed:

- Prices Fork Connector Road Study
- MPO Freight Study
- Franklin Street/Cambria Street Intersection Study

MPO Planning Projects Underway:

- Route 460 Interchange Study (Virginia Tech/Corporate Research Center Interchange)
- Warm Hearth Area Transit Study
- Christiansburg Transit Expansion

Mr. Brugh reported a Long Range Transportation Plan Update is underway. He stated a long range plan will:

- Determine demand for transportation services over 20 years
- Identify policies, strategies, and projects for the future
- Articulate regional land use, development, housing and employment goals and plans
- Be consistent with the statewide transportation plan and local comprehensive plans
- 2035 Plan now under development with approval later this year

Mr. Brugh also updated the Board of Supervisor on the Smart Way Bus Program and the Ride Solutions Program. Both programs have seen an increase in ridership since their implementation. In 2007 the Rider Solution began with 97 carpool matches and currently there are 472 carpool riders.

Mr. Brugh reported that copies of the Proposed 2010-2011 Unified Work Program, the 2008-12 Transportation Improvement Program, the 2030 Long Range Plan and the MPO's Public Involvement Plan are available on the MPO website and at the MPO office located in the Montgomery County Government Center.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Special Use Permit – Kelly L. Burdette and John A. Barr, Jr.

A request made by Kelly L. Burdette and John A. Barr Jr. for a special use permit on 57.139 acres in an Agricultural (A-1) zoning district to allow a commercial kennel and allow two (2) accessory structures in excess of 1,200 sq. ft. in area and 18 ft. in height. The property is located on the north side of Craig Creek Road (Rt. 621), approximately 0.80 miles east of the intersection with Pandapas Pond Rd. (US 460), and is identified as Tax Parcel No. 015-A-1 (Acct # 002518) in the Mount Tabor Magisterial District (District A). The property currently lies in an area designated as Resource Stewardship in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan.

Dari Jenkins, Zoning Administrator, summarized the request and provided maps and video of the site.

The applicants are requesting a special use permit in the Agricultural (A-1) zoning district for the purpose of obtaining approval to allow breeding of dogs. Dr. Burdette and Mr. Barr currently have a kennel license to breed their personal dogs and sell puppies to individual buyers from their dwelling located within Laurel Ridge Subdivision. Since this use was established prior to the adoption of the 1999 ordinance it is considered nonconforming and permitted to continue at their present location. It is the intent of the owners to relocate their breeding operation to the property they have purchased on Craig Creek Road.

The special use permit will allow the commercial kennel and two (2) accessory structures in excess of 1,200 sq. ft. in area and 18 ft. in height. The accessory buildings will be used in relation to the kennel operation and to store personal vehicles and equipment.

The site on Craig Creek Road is surrounded on three sides by the Jefferson National Forest and there is a shooting range located approximately 0.75 miles west of the proposed kennel site. Given the remote location and the shooting range, the kennel should not create additional noise concerns.

At their April 14, 2010 meeting, the Planning Commission recommended approval of this request.

Dr. Kelly Burdette addressed the Board regarding her request. She stated she has no additional information to provide but was available to answer any questions the Board may have.

The Chair opened the public hearing to receive citizen comments.

There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Concept Plan Amendment – RWW36, LLC

A request by RWW36, LLC (Agent: Balzer and Associates, Inc.) to amend a concept plan previously approved on September 14, 2009 (ORD-FY-10-13), with possible proffered conditions, to add additional commercial uses and realignment of road on 6.0184 acres zoned General Business (GB). The property is located at the southeast corner of Meadow Creek Rd. (Rt. 658) and Tyler Road (Rt. 600) intersection; identified as Tax Parcel No. 104-4-47 (Account No. 002244) in the Riner Magisterial District (District D). The property currently lies in an area designated as Urban Expansion in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan and is further identified as Planned Commercial in the Route 177 Corridor Plan.

AND

Rezoning Request – Judson H. Young Life Estate (c/o Wagner H. Young), Edwin Mark, Kathleen L. Stewart, and Harmon W. Young

Requests by Judson H. Young Life Estate (C/O Wagner H. Young), Edwin Mark, Kathleen L. Stewart, and Harmon W. Young (Agent: Balzer and Associates, Inc.) to rezone approximately 3.547 acres from Agricultural (A-1) to General Business (GB) and approximately 2.5 acres from Residential (R-3) to General Business (GB), with possible proffered conditions, to allow commercial and office uses. The properties are located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Meadow Creek Road (Rt. 658) and Barn Road (Rt. 627); identified as Tax Parcel No(s). 104-A-27A, 104-4-40, 104-4-41, 104-4-42, and a portion of 104-A-88, (Account No(s) 008938, 021673, 021674, 021675, 021672) in the Riner Magisterial District (District D). The property currently lies in an area designated as Urban Expansion in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan and is further identified as Planned Commercial in the Route 177 Corridor Plan.

Steve Sandy, Planning Director, provided a brief summary of the request. The applicants are proposing to rezone an additional 5.14 acres from Agriculture (A-1) and Residential (R-3) to General Business (GB), as well as amend the concept development plan and proffered conditions in accordance with the revisions to the plans for road improvements. The original rezoning was approved on September 14, 2009 for commercial development on 6.02 acres located at the corner of the intersection of Meadow Creek Road (Rt. 658) and Barn Road (Rt. 627).

Mr. Sandy reported that during the design phase for the road layout to close a portion of Meadow Creek Road and realign Barn Road, VDOT determined improvements to Barn Road was not feasible. Therefore, the applicant is proposing a new road layout and conceptual plan after obtaining additional land to meet VDOT's requirements. The new road layout is to close Barn Road at the upper end and install a cul-de-sac and to upgrade and realign Meadow Creek Road to go through the commercial development. The existing intersection of Meadow Creek Road and Tyler Road will still be closed, with a new entrance being created at the proposed crossover.

Two access points to the property are proposed with this project. One entrance is proposed to be constructed at the crossover intersection of Meadow Creek Road and Tyler Road and would be a full-access intersection where the realigned Meadow Creek Road would tie in. A secondary entrance onto Tyler Road is proposed as a right-in/right-out at the southern portion of the

property. A third entrance is located at the end of the existing improved Barn Road and would be the main access to Lot 8.

Mr. Sandy stated that the proposed closing of Barn Road and creating a cul-de-sac resulted in the loss of right-of-way to adjacent property owners. The applicant and property owners have solved this issue by the applicant providing commercial entrance in the future if the property owners decide to develop.

Due to increasing the size of the commercial development by an additional 5.14 acres the amended proffered site plan contains the following uses for the entire 12.4 acres of property:

1. Limited Service Restaurant – Lot 1
2. Full Service Restaurant – Lot 2
3. Commercial Lodging (86 rooms) – Lot 3
4. Gas with General Retail - Lot 4
5. General Retail – Lot 5
6. General Office – Lot 5
7. Full Service Restaurant – Lot 6
8. Medical Office – Lot 7
9. Medical Office – Lot 8

A new proffer statement has been submitted to include the new conceptual plan and road layout proposed with the current rezoning request.

At their April 21, 2010 meeting, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the request.

Supervisor Creed expressed concern about who will be paying for and developing the roundabout between the three developments. He believes this is an issue of concern and an agreement between the developers should have been drafted. Supervisor Creed stated he can see where this may be a potential problem at a later date and believes there may need to be an agreement.

Mr. Sandy provided the following information:

- S&P of Virginia cannot develop until the round-about is constructed.
- RRW 36, LLC can build up to four buildings before the round-about is required.
- Emerald Investors cannot develop until the round-about is constructed.

Steve Semones, Balzer & Associates, agent for the applicant, addressed the Board regarding the request. Mr. Semones provided additional information regarding the new rezoning and round-about. He reported that S&P of Virginia is moving forward with plans and discussions have been on-going between all three developers regarding the round-about. There is no written agreement to date.

Roger Woody, applicant, reported he and the other developers have met and have discussed the issue of cost sharing on the construction of the round-about. They are all looking forward to the development in the 177 Corridor. Mr. Woody reported he has two businesses committed to coming into his development and he is moving forward with his plans.

The Chair opened the public hearing to hear citizen comments.

Alexander Saint, an adjoining property owner, expressed his appreciation to the Planning Commission and RWW 36, LLC for working with him to resolve the right-of-way issues on Barn Road that affected his property. Mr. Saint stated he supports Mr. Woody's request.

There being no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

There being no speakers, the public address session was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda dated April 26, 2010 was approved.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Gary D. Creed	None	James D. Politis
William H. Brown		
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
John A. Muffo		
Annette S. Perkins		

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously, the minutes dated December 14, 2009 were approved.

Appropriations and Transfers

A-FY-10-98 COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY FORFEITED ASSET SHARING PROGRAM

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, for the function and in the amount as follows:

200	Commonwealth's Attorney	\$98
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>	
419104	Confiscations
	\$98

Said resolution appropriates monies received as part of the Forfeited Asset Sharing Program from the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

A-FY-10-99 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE GRANTS

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, for the function and in the amount as follows:

810	Economic Development	\$16,850
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>	
02 410ARE	2010A Real Estate
	\$16,850

Said resolution appropriates funds for economic development incentive grants through the Economic Development Authority for incentive payments.

**A-FY-10-100
SHERIFF
RECOVERED COSTS**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, for the function and in the amount as follows:

322	Sheriff – Project Lifesaver	\$150
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>		
424401	Project Lifesaver	\$150

Said resolution appropriates Project Lifesaver funds for use by the Sheriff's department.

**A-FY-10-101
TREASURER
DMV STOP FEES**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 for the function and in the amount as follows:

162	Treasurer's Collections	\$11,461
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The sources of the funds for the foregoing appropriation are as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>		
411605	DMV Stop Fee	\$11,265
416010	Warrant-In-Debt Fees	<u>\$ 196</u>
	Total	\$11,461

Said resolution appropriates funds from the DMV Stop and Warrant in Debt fees needed to pay the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) administrative charges.

Easements

R-FY-10-159 APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT NEW PRICES FORK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia hereby authorizes the conveyance of a right-of-way and easement across the new Prices Fork Elementary School property owned by Montgomery County located on Prices Fork Road in Blacksburg to Appalachian Power Company in order to provide electrical service to the new school site.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chair of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to execute the above referenced right-of-way easement to Appalachian Power Company on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

Appointments

R-FY-10-160 COMMUNITY POLICY AND MANAGEMENT TEAM (CPMT) CITIZEN APPOINTMENT

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby reappoints **Charles D. Noblin** as a Citizen Representative to the **Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT)** effective April 29, 2010 and expiring April 28, 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

R-FY-10-161 TABLED ESTABLISH A LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES

On a motion by Gary D. Creed, seconded by Doug Marrs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the request to consider participating in a Long Term Care Insurance Program as a voluntary

benefit for active full-time County employees and retirees who are at least 18 years of age or under the age of 80 through the Virginia Retirement System is hereby **TABLED** until the May 10, 2010 Board of Supervisors meeting.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
William H. Brown	None	James D. Politis
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
John A. Muffo		
Gary D. Creed		
Annette S. Perkins		

R-FY-10-162
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE CONVEYANCE FROM
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY
OF THE OLD BLACKSBURG MIDDLE SCHOOL PROPERTY

On a motion by John A. Muffo, seconded by Gary D. Creed and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The School Board of Montgomery County (the "School Board") by Resolution declared the Old Blacksburg Middle School Property ("the Property") surplus to its needs and authorized the conveyance of the Property to the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, The School Board has requested the Board of Supervisors to be able to use the proceeds if the Board of Supervisors sells the Property to reduce existing school debt or to fund debt service for other capital school construction projects; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors desires to accept the conveyance of the Old Blacksburg Middle School Property from the School Board and if the Property is sold to authorize the School Board to use the net proceeds from the sale after the County is reimbursed for its costs of selling the Property to reduce existing school debt, fund school debt service or fund other capital school construction projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes Annette S. Perkins, Chair, to accept from the School Board on behalf of the Board of Supervisors the conveyance of the Old Blacksburg Middle School Property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that should the Board of Supervisors sell the Property, the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the School Board, subject to future appropriation, to use the net proceeds from the sale after the County is reimbursed for its costs of selling the Property to be used by the School Board to reduce existing school debt, fund school debt service or fund other capital school construction projects.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mary W. Biggs	None	James D. Politis
Doug Marrs		
John A. Muffo		
Gary D. Creed		
William H. Brown		
Annette S. Perkins		

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Inmate Litter Clean-Up Project: The Sheriff's Office submitted a report on the inmate clean-up program. From November 2009 to April 15, 2010 a total of 22,220 pounds of trash and 181 tires have been picked up from the County's secondary roads.
2. MPO – Public Meeting – Analysis for Interchange on the Route 460 Bypass near the Vicinity of Southgate Drive: The MPO will be holding a public meeting on Thursday, April 29, 2010 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. to receive comments on the MPO's study to indentify and analyze potential roadway and interchange improvements in the general vicinity of Southgate Drive and the Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center.

As part of the study, a range of potential improvement concepts are being developed and tested in terms of their ability to serve existing and future travel demands in a safe and efficient manner.

3. New Prices Fork Elementary School Groundbreaking will be held on Friday, April 30, 2010. The new school is expected to be open for students in the Fall of 2011.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Supervisor Biggs - School Board Meeting: School Board Members expressed appreciation to the Board of Supervisors for advancing \$500,000 to the Schools to help with costs with Blacksburg High School. The School Board also adopted a retirement incentive for school employees. In exchange for paid health insurance, teachers who sign up for the incentive will agree to substitute 25 days per year for 1-4 years, depending upon their retirement age.

Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library Board - Dedication of a Reading Garden to honor Ann Carter and the late Joy Foster was held on May 22, 2010 at the Christiansburg Library. Ann Carter served on the Library Board for eight years and Joy Foster served on the Board for six years before her death last year.

Virginia Association of Counties: The Public Education Funding Committee held a conference call to discuss the State's proposed changes to the Local Composite Index.

The **Local Composite Index** determines a school division's ability to pay education costs fundamental to the Commonwealth's Standards of Quality (SOQ). The Composite Index is calculated using three indicators of a locality's ability-to-pay:

- True value of real property (weighted 50 percent)
- Adjusted gross income (weighted 40 percent)
- Taxable retail sales (weighted 10 percent)

Each locality's index is adjusted to maintain an overall statewide local share of 45 percent and an overall state share of 55 percent.

Every time the index is readjusted some schools gain funding, while others receive less.

Commonwealth of Virginia Resolution Celebrating the Life of Joseph V. Gorman, Jr.: Senator John Edwards introduced a resolution to the General Assembly to commemorate the life of Joseph V. Gorman, Jr., who served on the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors. This resolution was adopted by the Senate and the House of Delegates in March 2010.

Supervisor Muffo asked that the County's policy on term limits for citizen appointments be amended to adhere to the State's policy. The State Code supersedes the County's policy on term limits set for certain board appointments.

R-FY-10-163

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS POLICY ON TERM LIMITS FOR CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

On a motion by John A. Muffo, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia that the Board hereby amends its Policy on Term Limits for Citizen appointments to Boards and Commissions whereby in instances where State Code establishes a specific term limit that applies to a particular board or commission, the term limit set by State Code shall supersede the two- term limit as set by the Board of Supervisors.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Gary D. Creed	None	James D. Politis
William H. Brown		
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
John A. Muffo		
Annette S. Perkins		

Supervisor Perkins received a letter from Judge Joey Showalter thanking the Board of Supervisors for their assistance in presenting Judge Ray Grubb's office chair to him.

Planning District Commission meeting was held April 22, 2010. The agenda included the adoption of their annual plan for future projects in the New River Valley. The PDC did eliminate the Link Road from the list of projects. Montgomery County in the past took the position to oppose the Link Road project as they believed improvements need to be made to Route 114 – Peppers Ferry Road and Route 8 – Riner Road before they could support a new road being constructed. Since the Link Road was removed from the project list, Supervisor Perkins voted yes to approve the annual plan.

Supervisor Perkins reminded Board members of the upcoming dates:

New River Community College - An open house for the newly renovated art and nursing complexes in Godbey Hall will be held Wednesday, May 5, 2010 from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Economic Development Commission – Business Appreciation Day will be held May 17, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the Blacksburg Country Club.

National Police Day and Memorial Ceremony will be held May 17, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. at the Montgomery County Courthouse to honor those officers who were killed in the line of duty.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Gary D. Creed, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned to Monday, May 10, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

APPROVED: _____	ATTEST: _____
Annette S. Perkins	F. Craig Meadows
Chair, Board of Supervisors	County Administrator